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Cassis calls start of M-59 roadwork better late than never

LANSING – State Sen. Nancy Cassis, R-Novi, who initiated safety improvements along the heavily traveled M-59 corridor, today applauded the start of work at an entrance to the White Lake Marketplace. The construction, originally scheduled to begin in August, is back on track after a series of delays.

“All of those who utilize this heavily congested corridor and frequent the White Lake Marketplace can finally breathe a sigh of relief at this much-needed improvement,” Cassis said.

“We have been working for quite some time to find a solution to the traffic problems in front of the White Lake Market,” said Steve Rumble, White Lake Township planning department. “It was refreshing to have Sen. Cassis bring everyone together to help alleviate a serious traffic hazard in our community.”

Senator Cassis spearheaded numerous meetings with residents, township officials, representatives of the Michigan Department of Transportation and Ramco-Gershenson Construction. The result was an engineering design that will significantly deter, if not completely stop, left turns out of the market onto M-59.

“Without the input and perseverance of area residents, township officials, Ramco-Gershenson and MDOT, this project would not be possible,” Cassis said. “I have great appreciation for everyone who has made safety a top priority.”

Cassis also was able to secure a \$70,000 grant for a management access study to reduce the number of curb cuts along M-59 in White Lake. This also will improve traffic safety along this heavily congested corridor.

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